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MEMORANDUM FOR: EA/TR

SUBJECT : Weekly Activities Report

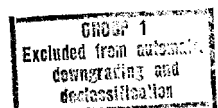
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1. [REDACTED] attended the Inter-Agency Language Roundtable hosted by USIA this week to be brought up-to-date on developments within the government language training community. DLI reported that it is in the process of eliminating its large commercial language contracts on both the east and west coasts, as well as its long-standing program at Syracuse University. FSI and USIA reported that they have started awarding certificates of achievement in foreign languages - to help dull the pain of language proficiency tests which are now mandatory for all FSO's. Over 500 certificates have been awarded to FSO's for achieving S-4/R-4 in one language and S-3/R-3 in a second. Both DLI and FSI announced that they are following LS's lead in experimentation with cassette recorders. They will probably use cassettes exclusively in their overseas installations. The FSI is attempting to further integrate area information with their language instruction, i.e., discussion of government, leaders, politics, etc. in their language classes.

The Language School will host the next meeting of the Roundtable on 19 March.

2. Transportation to and from the [REDACTED] has again 25X1A6a reared its ugly head. In addition to a schedule which does not precisely meet our needs is the matter of lack of space at peak load periods. We have had several complaints from students who were not able to get on the 0830 run because there was no space left on the limousine. It further appears that the limousine leaves earlier than 0830 when it is filled prior to that time, so that people arriving at the depot on or about 0830 "wait for the limousine to show" when in fact it had already departed. Except for the absence of a 0900 run, the schedule is otherwise adequate.

3. A request has been received from Navy BUPERS/Foreign & Reserve Training for a copy of the PAI Vietnamese course for use in Saigon. They specifically asked that the tapes be on cassettes.

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4. Mr. Augustus Koski of FSI has asked to be included in the distribution of our new Indonesian course which is going to press next week. He desires to replace the FSI - prepared materials now in use because of their poor quality. [REDACTED] ILLEGIB

5. The LS has reached a peak enrollment of 266 students in training at one time - a record for the past few years. We have exceptionally high enrollments in the Romance Languages and in the Near East and Southeast Asian Languages Departments. Every teacher we have is productively occupied and most of our 57 classrooms are in use. A recent survey shows that if we were to work exclusively with full-time students we could accommodate a maximum of 217 full time students. [REDACTED] ILLEGIB

6. Personnel Notes

Mrs. [REDACTED] one of our Vietnamese instructors left us Friday last week as an expectant mother. She gave birth to a baby girl on Sunday night. [REDACTED]

7. Language School Statistics

Students and Classes as of 22 January 1971:

Students

Full-time - 116
Part-time - 150 (37 Hqs.)
(62 BAHLT)

Classes

Full-time - 39
Part-time - 49 (9 Hqs.)
(8 BAHLT)

Laboratory hours for the week of 11 - 15 January 1971:

Language School - 420
Headquarters - 77

Nineteen language proficiency tests were given during the week of 11 - 15 January 1971.

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